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CHAPTER II

DEMAND

under Article 31 of the Patent Cooperation Treaty:
The undersigned requests that the international application specified below be the subject of international preliminary examination according to the Patent Cooperation Treaty.

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| Identification of IPEA | Date of receipt of DEMAND |
| Box No. I IDENTIFICATION OF THE INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION | |
| International application No. PCT/US03/18299 | International filing date (day/month/year) 10 June 2003 |
| (Earliest) Priority date (day/month/year) 10 June 2002 | |
| Title of invention QUARTZ-ENHANCED PHOTOACOUSTIC SPECTROSCOPY | |
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Box No. IV BASIS FOR INTERNATIONAL PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION**Statement concerning amendments:***

1. The applicant wishes the international preliminary examination **to start on the basis of:**

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | the international application as originally filed |
| the description | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> as originally filed <input type="checkbox"/> as amended under Article 34 |
| the claims | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> as originally filed <input type="checkbox"/> as amended under Article 19 (together with any accompanying statement) <input type="checkbox"/> as amended under Article 34 |
| the drawings | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> as originally filed <input type="checkbox"/> as amended under Article 34 |

2. The applicant wishes any amendment to the claims under Article 19 to be considered as reversed.
 3. The applicant wishes the start of the international preliminary examination **to be postponed until the expiration of the applicable time limit under Rule 69.1(d).**
 4. The applicant expressly wishes the international preliminary examination **to start earlier than at the expiration of the applicable time limit under Rule 54bis.1(a).**

* Where no check-box is marked, international preliminary examination will start on the basis of the international application as originally filed or, where a copy of amendments to the claims under Article 19 and/or amendments of the international application under Article 34 are received by the International Preliminary Examining Authority before it has begun to draw up a written opinion or the international preliminary examination report, as so amended.

Language for the purposes of international preliminary examination: English.....

which is the language in which the international application was filed.
 which is the language of a translation furnished for the purposes of international search.
 which is the language of publication of the international application.
 which is the language of the translation (to be) furnished for the purposes of international preliminary examination.

Box No. V ELECTION OF STATES

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Box No. VI CHECK LIST

The demand is accompanied by the following elements, in the language referred to in Box No. IV, for the purposes of international preliminary examination:

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| 1. translation of international application | : | sheets |
| 2. amendments under Article 34 | : | sheets |
| 3. copy (or, where required, translation) of amendments under Article 19 | : | sheets |
| 4. copy (or, where required, translation) of statement under Article 19 | : | sheets |
| 5. letter | : | sheets |
| 6. other (specify) | : | sheets |

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Box No. VII SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, AGENT OR COMMON REPRESENTATIVE

Next to each signature, indicate the name of the person signing and the capacity in which the person signs (if such capacity is not obvious from reading the demand).

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1. Date of actual receipt of DEMAND:

2. Adjusted date of receipt of demand due to CORRECTIONS under Rule 60.1(b):

3. The date of receipt of the demand is AFTER the expiration of 19 months from the priority date and item 4 or 5, below, does not apply.
 The applicant has been informed accordingly.

4. The date of receipt of the demand is WITHIN the time limit of 19 months from the priority date as extended by virtue of Rule 80.5.

5. Although the date of receipt of the demand is after the expiration of 19 months from the priority date, the delay in arrival is EXCUSED pursuant to Rule 82.

6. The date of receipt of the demand is AFTER the expiration of the time limit under Rule 54bis.1(a) and item 7 or 8, below, does not apply.

7. The date of receipt of the demand is WITHIN the time limit under Rule 54bis.1(a) as extended by virtue of Rule 80.5.

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CHAPTER II**PCT****FEE CALCULATION SHEET****Annex to the Demand**

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| International application No. PCT/US03/18299 | For International Preliminary Examining Authority use only |
| Applicant's or agent's file reference 1789-11103 | Date stamp of the IPEA |
| Applicant WILLIAM MARSH RICE UNIVERSITY 6100 Main Street | |
| CALCULATION OF PRESCRIBED FEES | |
| 1. Preliminary examination fee | \$600 P |
| 2. Handling fee (<i>Applicants from certain States are entitled to a reduction of 75% of the handling fee. Where the applicant is (or all applicants are) so entitled, the amount to be entered at H is 25% of the handling fee.</i>) | \$148.00 H |
| 3. Total of prescribed fees Add the amounts entered at P and H and enter total in the TOTAL box | \$748.00 TOTAL |
| MODE OF PAYMENT | |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> authorization to charge deposit account with the IPEA (see below) | <input type="checkbox"/> cash |
| <input type="checkbox"/> cheque | <input type="checkbox"/> revenue stamps |
| <input type="checkbox"/> postal money order | <input type="checkbox"/> coupons |
| <input type="checkbox"/> bank draft | <input type="checkbox"/> other (<i>specify</i>): _____ |
| AUTHORIZATION TO CHARGE (OR CREDIT) DEPOSIT ACCOUNT (<i>This mode of payment may not be available at all IPEAs</i>) | |
| IPEA/ <u>US</u> | |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Authorization to charge the total fees indicated above. | Deposit Account No.: <u>03-2769</u> |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (<i>This check-box may be marked only if the conditions for deposit accounts of the IPEA so permit</i>) Authorization to charge any deficiency or credit any overpayment in the total fees indicated above. | Date: <u>January 12, 2004</u> |
| Name: <u>WATKINS, Marcella D.</u> | |
| Signature: <u>Marcella D. Watkins</u> | |